

Table 3. Average standard errors for 3- and 12-month percent changes in total compensation for private industry workers, by industry and occupational group, Employment Cost Index, December 2003

(Not seasonally adjusted data)

Industry and occupational group	Standard Errors 5-Year Moving Average–	
	3-month percent change–	12-month percent change–
	December 2003	
Private industry workers	0.2	0.3
Excluding sales occupations .....	.1	.2
Industry		
Goods producing .....	.1	.3
Excluding sales .....	.2	.4
White collar .....	.3	.5
Excluding sales .....	.2	.5
Blue collar .....	.2	.3
Construction .....	.3	.6
Manufacturing .....	.2	.3
White collar .....	.3	.5
Excluding sales .....	.2	.5
Blue collar .....	.2	.3
Durables .....	.2	.4
Aircraft manufacturing (SIC 3721) .....	.2	.5
White collar .....	.2	.5
Blue collar .....	.3	.7
Nondurables .....	.3	.5
Service producing .....	.3	.4
Excluding sales .....	.3	.5
White collar .....	.3	.5
Excluding sales .....	.3	.5
Blue collar .....	.3	.5
Service .....	.3	.4
Transportation and public utilities .....	.3	.4
Transportation .....	.4	.8
Public utilities .....	.3	.6
Communications .....	.4	.7
Electric, gas, and sanitary services .....	.5	.7
Wholesale and retail trade .....	.3	.5
Excluding sales .....	.4	.5
Wholesale trade .....	.6	.9
Excluding sales .....	.4	.6
Retail trade .....	.4	.6
General merchandise stores .....	.5	.8
Food stores .....	.4	.8
Finance, insurance, and real estate	1.5	2.1
Excluding sales	1.0	2.0
Banking, savings and loan, and other credit agencies	1.9	4.0
Insurance .....	.9	1.7
Excluding sales .....	.3	.5
Services .....	.2	.5
Business services .....	.5	1.0
Health services .....	.2	.6
Hospitals .....	.2	.3
Nursing homes2	.4
Educational services2	.4
Colleges and universities2	.4

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Industry and occupational group	Standard Errors 5-Year Moving Average—	
	3-month percent change—	12-month percent change—
	December 2003	
Industry—Continued		
Nonmanufacturing industries	0.2	0.4
White collar .....	.3	.5
Excluding sales .....	.2	.5
Blue collar .....	.2	.4
Service .....	.3	.4
Occupational group		
White collar .....	.3	.4
Excluding sales .....	.2	.4
Professional specialty and technical .....	.3	.5
Executive, administrative, and managerial .....	.5	1.1
Sales	1.4	1.7
Administrative support, including clerical .....	.2	.3
Blue collar .....	.2	.3
Precision production, craft, and repair .....	.2	.4
Machine operators, assemblers, and inspectors .....	.3	.4
Transportation and material moving .....	.4	.6
Handlers, equipment cleaners, helpers, and laborers .....	.3	.6
Service .....	.4	.7
Production and nonsupervisory occupations¹ .....	.1	.2

¹ Average standard error based on fewer than 5 years of data.